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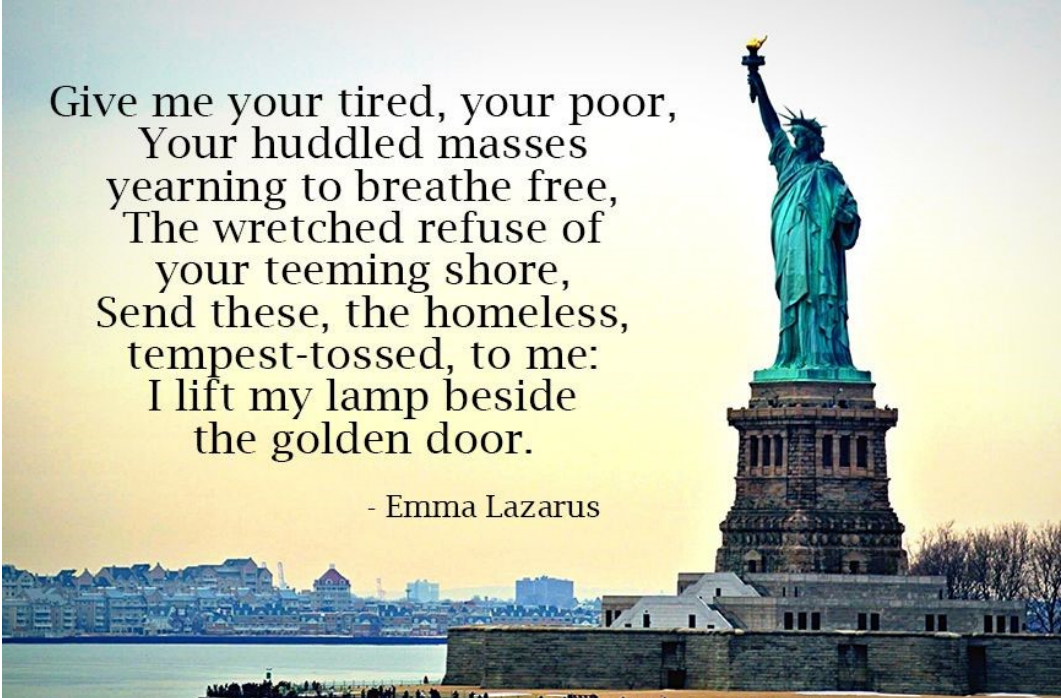
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Give me your tired, your poor,
Your huddled masses
yearning to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of
your teeming shore,
Send these, the homeless,
tempest-tossed, to me:
I lift my lamp beside
the golden door.

- Emma Lazarus

Proclamation Concerning Face Coverings

Mayor Evans updated the Emergency Proclamation issued March 16 to include the requirement to wear face coverings in public places where social distancing is not possible. This proclamation became effective June 20 at 8pm and will continue until further notice.

“Public place” means any place the public is allowed, including but not limited to businesses and outdoor spaces such as restaurants, bars, theaters, libraries, museums, gyms, grocery and convenience stores, nursing homes, shelters, etc. **This includes all CFHA offices.**

Everyone age five or older must wear a face covering when in public except under various exceptions listed in the proclamation (link below). These exceptions include but are not limited to: those unable to wear face

coverings due to health or disability, for those with religious beliefs that would prevent face coverings, when a person is eating or drinking, during dental or medical treatment, or other legal exemptions.

Physical distancing, face coverings, and other CDC recommendations are effective tools to mitigate COVID-19 spread. **For the office, coverings will be required and made available if you cannot provide your own.**

Private businesses shall enforce this proclamation by asking any person failing to comply to leave their premises. Business owners are not liable for members of the public who are in violation of this proclamation and refuse to leave when asked.

[Flagstaff.az.gov/4304/Proclamations-and-Executive-Orders](https://flagstaff.az.gov/4304/Proclamations-and-Executive-Orders)

CARES Act & COVID-19 Continued

If you have not yet received your Economic Impact Payment (\$1,200 for a single person, \$2,400 for a couple, \$500 per dependent child) go to irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments for your status.

If you did not file a tax return but receive Social Security, SSI or Railroad Retirement, you should have received your payment. **If you received a refund loan from a tax preparation business** rather than from the IRS, the banking info on the return may be that of the business. Check with your tax preparer or with the IRS to determine if your status. **If you received your refund on a cash card** and no longer have the card go to the website above to update your information. **If you did not file a tax return and are not receiving benefits** you must give your information to the IRS at the website above or you will not receive a payment. **These one-time payments will not affect rent and do not need to be reported.** To check on your payment status at the link above.

If your employer receives a Small Business Administration loan and you are receiving a paycheck based on this, the paycheck is countable income.

Pandemic Unemployment Assistance will provide up to 39 weeks of income replacement of up to \$600 per week over the state maximum unemployment benefit (currently \$240 per week). This benefit may be available to workers who are not traditionally eligible for unemployment or workers with insufficient current work quarters to qualify. If you have been working but are unable to receive traditional unemployment you may apply for this program at des.az.gov/pua. If you have already applied for or are receiving unemployment through DES you will receive these benefits automatically when you are approved. Go to des.az.gov for more. You may apply for unemployment at azui.com. If you begin to receive benefits or they increase, report this to your case worker by email, change report, or other written statement through the drop slot at the office where you live. Changes may not be reported by telephone.

CFHA Information

Front Lobbies of all offices are currently closed. We cannot permit anyone in the office who does not have a scheduled appointment. Staff are still in the office to serve residents. If you need to speak to your specialist or other staff, please call. We are working on a plan that will bring us back to full operation. **Please make sure your name and address are clear on your rent payments. Receipts will be mailed.**

Maintenance Work Orders

Please continue to call in all work orders to **213-2731**. However, only Health & Safety Maintenance Work Orders will be completed at this time. These work orders will be completed within 24 hours. When you leave a message for a work order it is entered into our computer system so we

have a record. It is not necessary to call more than once. Be sure to include a call back number in your message.

When our Maintenance professionals are in your home, make sure that nobody is in the same room while they are working and windows are open. If they are unsure of conditions in the home they may check with Management for their own safety. All other work orders will be completed once we can ensure that staff and residents will be at minimal health risk.

We are unable to pick up items from the curb. To keep our developments neat, please place bulky items on the curb the day before the bulky item pickup noted on the calendar. For your own safety please do not disturb items left at the curb nor those in dumpsters.

Change Reporting

We will be processing rent reductions with an expedited process to insure that rents remain appropriate and affordable. When reporting your change, please provide sufficient information for your Specialist to be able to determine your income. We are currently waiving face-to-face appointments, but it is very important that you return all documents with proper signatures to the office. When we have received your signed documents we will sign and return copies to you through the mail.

Clark Homes Neighborhood Network and the SHAC are currently closed and activities suspended.

Annual Recertifications

Annual recertifications will be performed by mail. The Flagstaff PD is again running background checks. If you are unable to provide certain verifications (other than income) with your recertification packet please include a note which indicates this. When we receive your packet with sufficient information to determine rent, a Family Worksheet and Lease Addendum will be sent for your signature. Please return the signed paperwork promptly. When received your specialist will sign the paperwork and send you a copy. An office appointment will be required when our lobby has reopened so that you may provide the record check, any missing documentation, and review the results of the recertification.

Community Service

HUD has issued a waiver for Community Service. At this time those previously required to perform community service are not required to do so until their first annual recertification completed after April 1, 2020. Additionally we will not be reviewing community service status for anyone until the first annual recertification completed after April 1, 2020. This waiver expires April 1, 2021.

Annual Inspections Are Currently Postponed.

Lastly, Clark Homes and Public Housing newsletter will be combined for the time being.



Wise Words from Officer Brown: Fire Restrictions

With the increased chances of fires in and around Flagstaff it is important to be familiar with fire restriction stages. Until the monsoon starts we all need to do our part to keep Flagstaff safe.

Stage One Fire Restrictions

- No permits are issued for open burning within the City of Flagstaff.
- Use of charcoal BBQ grills is prohibited at Thorpe, McMillan Mesa, McPherson and Buffalo Parks as well as Observatory Mesa, Picture Canyon Natural Area and private campgrounds. Private residences may use charcoal BBQ grills.
- No smoking at Thorpe, McMillan Mesa, Buffalo, or McPherson Parks, nor at Disc Golf Courses, Flagstaff Urban Trail System (FUTS), Observatory Mesa or Picture Canyon Natural Area.
- Open fire pits and open flame devices (like chimineas) are prohibited, including those with a spark arrestor screen, within the City of Flagstaff.
- Gas grills and portable gas stoves that have an on/off switch are still allowed in City parks and private campgrounds.

Stage Two Fire Restrictions

Current stage at time of publication

Previous restrictions remain in effect with the following additions:

- Charcoal grills are prohibited throughout the City including all parks and private residences.
- No smoking whatsoever at City parks nor along the Flagstaff Urban Trail System (FUTS).
- Portable propane fire-ring type devices are Prohibited in City parks, but all other gas grills and portable gas stoves that have an on/off switch are still allowed in parks and private campgrounds.

Stage Three Fire Restrictions

Previous restrictions remain in effect with the following additions:

- All open-flame devices even those with on/off switch are prohibited in all City parks and private campgrounds.
- All gas grills and portable gas stoves that have an on/off switch are still allowed in private residences, although prohibited in City parks and private campgrounds.



Dropping Off Rent Clear Name & Address

When dropping off rent, be sure to make your name and address clear on the check, money order, or on an envelope that encloses your payment. Envelopes and pens are available outside the lobby for you to use when submitting your rent or change report.

Thank you for your understanding.

Fire Restrictions Continued...

Stage Four Fire Restrictions

Previous restrictions remain in effect with the following addition:

- ALL grills (including those with an on/off switch) are prohibited throughout the City of Flagstaff
- If they are in the closure area, the following trails will be closed: Mars Hill, Tunnel Springs, Little America, Arizona Trail, Sinclair Canyon, FUTS trail entrances going into the Forest Service Pipeline Trail, Switzer Wash.

For the most up-to-date information, see the US Forest Service website at fs.usda.gov/detail/coconino/home/?cid=stelprdb5339077#current.

Clark Story: Carl the Skunk

On June 14, three young Clark Homes residents—Brooklin, Santana, and Maya—rescued an injured skunk with a nectarine! The skunk, dubbed Carl, and the girls were joined by local photojournalist Jake Bacon. (Photo and story credit to Mr. Bacon) Mr. Bacon took Carl home to rest. Initially, Carl appeared to have suffered a broken back, but come the following morning, all paws were wiggling! Bacon arranged transportation of Carl to Phoenix-area Wildlife Rescue.

While these Clark Homes residents succeeded in spades, keep in mind that wild animals are not pets! Skunks—like all mammals—can carry rabies. They also have claws and will spray when threatened. If you encounter an injured, rabid, or loose animal, contact Animal Management at **(928) 679-8756** for assistance. They have skunk info online!



Recipe of the Month: Corn Salad

Ingredients

3 ears of corn, husked	2 Tbsp butter, melted
1 ½+ tsp. salt	Black pepper to taste
3 Tbsp lime juice	2 Tbsp. honey
1½ tsp Sriracha	1 tsp garlic powder
1½ avocados, sliced	1 serrano chile, sliced
½ cup cilantro leaves with tender stems	



Directions

Brush corn with butter, season with salt and pepper, and grill over medium heat, turning as needed, until kernels are tender and slightly charred (10-12 minutes). Let cool, then cut corn from cob.

Whisk lime juice, honey, sriracha, garlic, and additional salt. Add corn, avocado, chile, and cilantro. Toss to combine, season as needed. Cover with plastic wrap and chill at least two hours. Then serve!

Tip: To keep avocado from browning, press plastic wrap directly to salad, not just over the bowl. Can store chilled up to one day ahead.

Recipes and Images from bonappetit.com/recipes/slideshow/60-favorite-grilling-recipes-almost-everything

Re-Entry Planning

When the City of Flagstaff, including the Flagstaff Housing Authority, reopens office spaces, be prepared for changes as we adapt:

- Masks will be required for meetings and staff will wear masks in common areas.
- Meetings will be limited to heads of households, adults, and representatives.
- Maintain social distance of six feet and check the floor for markings for distance and for traffic flow.
- Droplet barriers may be installed to limit airflow.
- If you are experiencing coughing, fever, and other symptoms of COVID-19, report this and plan to reschedule or make alternative plans.

CFHA staff will continue to deliver high quality service while supporting the health of participants and staff. Please support this by taking health precautions.

Kids' STEAM Corner: Bottle Rockets!

Build a Launch Pad: Kid-engineers need a stable pad just the right size to hold our 2-liter soda bottle rocket without it slipping. Use what you have already! Try tinker toys, craft sticks, LEGO, or something else.



Creating Your Rocket: Decorate a 2-liter soda bottle (empty and rinsed) and gather vinegar, a paper towel, and a cork or piece of foam to stopper the bottle.

Preparing for Launch: Find an open space to set up your launch pad. Add 1-2 cups of vinegar "fuel" to your rocket. Place about a tablespoon of baking soda on a 4" square of paper towel and wrap it tightly.

Blast Off in 3... 2... 1...: Quickly, push the baking soda wrap into the bottle, cork it, and set it upside down on your launch pad. Clear away! Your rocket will launch 20-50' into the air!

Now Ask Questions! Estimate and hypothesize about the launch with different fuel combinations. What is the chemical reaction of baking soda and vinegar? Do some research! How does the rocket itself launch? This ties to Newton's laws of motion. And have fun!

Source: steampoweredfamily.com/activities/bottle-rockets/

Are You Registered to Vote?



Check your voter registration at vote.org! You can also find information about registering, voting by mail, your polling place, and more!

Census 2020: I Count, You Count!

Everyone counts in the US Census!

- Respond online at 2020census.gov
- Respond by phone at 1-800-923-8282
- Respond by mail using the mailed survey.
- Surveyors will come to you if you do not respond.

Seeking more info? Go to icount2020.info.



READY, SET, GO!

Expect emergency officials to use these keywords during fire and flood events:

- 1. Get Ready** - Take personal responsibility and prepare your family before the threat is obvious. Assemble emergency supplies, plan escape routes, and talk to your family.
- 2. Be Set** - Pack necessities (clothing, toiletries, medicines) and check your emergency items. Know how to receive the latest news from local news, the fire department, and safety officials.
- 3. Go!** - When needed, evacuate! Follow your personal action plan, adhere to local jurisdiction's evacuation processes.

[Learn more at ein.az.gov/ready-set-go.](http://ein.az.gov/ready-set-go)

Get Curious: Lowell Observatory

Have curious kids? Are you a sucker for the stars? Want to celebrate a Flagstaff landmark? Be sure to check out [Lowell Observatory's YouTube page!](#)

From [YouTube](#), you can search for Lowell Observatory and check out playlists like [Science Challenges for Kids](#), a weekly dive into the stars with [Cosmic Coffee](#), and [Meet an Astronomer](#) with topics like Cannibal Galaxies and Exoplanets! There's plenty to learn for amateur astronomers of all ages!

Learn more at lowell.edu.



Apply for the Board!

Want to voice your opinion in Flagstaff Housing Authority operations? Apply for the CFHA Board!

The Board of Commissioners sets policy and direction for the CFHA. The Board meets once per month on the third Thursday of the month at 10:00 am.

Learn more at flagstaff.az.gov/994/Boards-Commissions and apply with the online form at flagstaff.az.gov/1883/Application.

Food Resources

If you and your household are in need of food assistance, there are several resources to use:

Flagstaff Family Food Center Services:

Home Deliveries:

Call (928) 526-2211 to sign up for a delivery

Emergency Food Boxes

3805 E Huntington, Tues - Sat, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm
No contact distribution, can receive twice per month

To-Go Style Dinner

1903 N 2nd St, Daily 4:00 - 5:30 pm
Nutritious meal packed up to-go

Backdoor Lunch Program

1903 N 2nd St., Daily 10 am - 2 pm
Ring the doorbell for a sack lunch

Flagstaff Unified School District

Free Grab & Go Meals

Available Mon - Fri, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Visit fUSD.net/meals for locations

The Salvation Army Food Pantry

507 N. Humphreys St., 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm, Mon - Thurs. Emergency food box, once per month. Application required along with ID.

The Emergency Food Assistance Program (with DES)

If you receive SNAP/Food Stamps, you are eligible for emergency food and assistance at no cost; other households can also apply. For sign up locations and more details, see des.az.gov/services/basic-needs/food-assistance/emergency-food-assistance.

Meals on Wheels/Area Agency on Aging - NACOG

If someone in your household is 60 years of age or older, call (877) 521-3500 to arrange for assistance.

The Summer Café - Flagstaff

During June and July, households with those under 18 can text "FOOD" to 877-877 for a nearby pickup location. No enrollment necessary, meal recipients must be 18 years or younger.








Your Story Could be Featured in Next Month's Newsletter!

If you have news of accomplishments, original artwork, poetry, community group news, recipes, or if you just want to see something specific on the next newsletter, we want to hear from you! Send Caleb your stories or suggestions and they may be featured in next month's newsletter!

Stop by the Siler Homes office, email caleb.alexander@flagstaffaz.gov, or call (928) 213-2738.

July 2020

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<u>Trash Pickup</u> Clark Homes, Crestview, and Cedar <u>Yard Watering:</u> None	<u>Trash Pickup</u> All Sunnyside Scattered Sites <u>Recycling Pickup</u> Brannen and Verde <u>Watering:</u> Odd #s	<u>Trash Pickup</u> Siler, Brannen, Steves, Alta Vista, Lockett, and Verde <u>Watering:</u> Even #s	<u>Recycling Pickup</u> Clark Homes, Cedar, and Crestview <u>Watering:</u> Odd #s	<u>Recycling Pickup</u> Siler, Lockett, Alta Vista, Steves, and all Sunnyside Scattered Sites <u>Watering:</u> Even #s
June 29 <u>Bulky Trash Pickup:</u> East Scattered Sites, Siler, & Greenlaw	June 30	1 <u>Public Housing Rent Due</u> <u>Clark Homes Rent Due</u>	2 	3 <u>All Offices Closed for Independence Day</u> 4th of July Holiday
6 <u>Clark Homes Rent Late Fees Applied</u>	7	8	9 <u>Public Housing Rent Late Fees Applied at 8am</u>	10
13 <u>Bulky Trash Pickup:</u> Brannen Homes & Verde	14 	15 <u>Last day to turn in Public Housing Recert. Packets for October by 8am</u>	16	17 
20 	21	22	23 <u>Last day to pay rent to avoid court action</u>	24 <u>Last day, by 8am, to report changes for August rent decrease</u>
27 <u>Bulky Trash Pickup:</u> Clark Homes, Crestview, & Cedar	28	29	30 	31 <u>Clark Homes Recertifications Due</u> <u>Bulky Trash Pickup-></u> East, Siler, Greenlaw

August's Rent Dates

Public Housing - Late fees applied: On 8:00 am on Monday, August 10th

Public Housing - Last day to pay rent to avoid court action: By 8:00 am on Monday, August 24th